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Safe Guarding Power Grids from Cyber Attack
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government proposes to take any steps to safeguard national power grids from cyber attack; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) : The Ministry of Power (MoP) is committed to safeguarding of national power grids from Cyber Attacks. Under the directions received from National Critical Information Infrastructure Protection Centre (NCIIPC) and Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-in), the specified agencies under Information Technology Act, 2000, the MoP has taken steps to sensitize all critical organisations under them. The underlying information infrastructure has been audited by third-party agencies accredited by CERT-in and have been hardened to ward off any attacks. Critical setups at POWERGRID and POSOCO have been certified against ISO-27001 Information Security Management System (ISMS) Standard. Further, sectoral Computer Emergency Response Team for transmission sector (CERT-Transmission) has been identified for coordinating cyber security preparedness in the sector.

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